

Advanced Studies

Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in Orchestral Studies



Destination

The *Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in Orchestral Studies* is a continuing education specialization (post-diploma degree) aimed at musicians who wish to broaden their repertoire knowledge and enhance their interpretative skills in relation to the orchestral repertoire.

Duration

The duration is **1 year** (2 semesters).

Applications

Applications are open until **May 15**.

Audition examinations usually take place on the second half of June.

Teachers

The list of teachers is available on this [link](#).

Admissions criteria

Candidates may be admitted if they meet the following criteria:

- have finished a Bachelor's or Master's degree;
- have submitted a complete application dossier;
- have successfully passed their admissions audition. For the auditions, candidates must perform in front of an commission a 30 minute programme in which they play some of the most representative pieces of their instrument's repertoire. Alternatively, candidates may send to the Head of Advanced Studies a link to a recent recording of a live performance (non-edited video) of the admissions repertoire. The recording must be in high quality and should not be older than 2 weeks;
- have successfully passed an admissions interview.

Costs

The programme costs **CHF 5'000**, that correspond to the following fees:

Registration fee	CHF	250
Semester administrative fee	CHF	250
Semester fee	CHF	2'000
Final exam fee	CHF	250

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Structure

Participants will receive 17 sixty-minute lessons per year with their main instrument teacher. Furthermore, participation to a selection of seminars/activities is mandatory.

The course leads to the acquisition of **20 ECTS** credits, divided as follows:

Main instrument	14 ECTS per year
Mock Audition	4 ECTS
<u>Seminars/Activities</u>	2 ECTS

Title

At the end of their studies, participants will receive a *Certificate of Advanced Studies SUPSI in Orchestral Studies* diploma, under the condition that they:

- have acquired all required ECTS credits;
- have successfully sit the final examination. The final examination consists of a simulated audition.

The University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland (SUPSI) and the titles that it awards are recognized by the Federal Government according to the law relating to Professional University Schools, 2 October 1995 and subsequent revisions.

This title is not a professional qualification and does not qualify holders to teach in public schools in Switzerland.

Regulations

Participants must observe the Study Regulations of the University of Music. The University of Music reserves itself the right not to open the course in particular circumstances.

Suspending or terminating participation

During their studies, participants may suspend or terminate their studies.

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